

# THE BENNINGTON EVENING BANNER

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PRICE ONE CENT

To Make a Hit With a Man Who Has Been Sick Sit Down and Smile Cheerfully While He Tells You All About His Case

## WAR ANNIVERSARY FINDS ALLIES MORE HOPEFUL

Germany's Enemies Now Prosecuting Vigorous Offensive

### EMPEROR WILLIAM CONFIDENT

His Proclamation Expresses Belief that Ultimate Victory Will Be With Teutonic Powers.

London, Aug. 1.—The second anniversary of Germany's declaration of war on Russia finds the relative positions of the belligerents very different from those of the first anniversary. The entente allies are now pursuing a successful offensive on all fronts and the central powers are virtually every where on the defensive.

Emperor William celebrated the occasion by the issue of proclamations to his army and navy and the people which breathed a spirit of continued confidence in ultimate victory for Germany.

Violent battles are still being fought by the Russians and the Austro-Hungarian and German forces virtually on the entire front from the Pripiet river marshes in Russia southward to the region of Bucarest in Galicia—a distance of about 200 miles.

Meanwhile, comparative calm prevails on the front in France except near Verdun. West and south of the Thiaumont work a German attack was put down by the French guns and later south of the work the French made some progress in a grenade attack. The Germans on the Vaux-Chapitre-Chenois line in a fight took some French first line trenches, but later were driven out.

The situation in the Somme region has undergone virtually no change since the concerted advance by the British and French last Sunday and the recapture from the British Monday of a narrow front they had taken from the Germans west of Fourreaux wood.

### ROHSE CARRIES BOY TO DEATH

Animal Walks into Connecticut at Ferry Landing.

St. Johnsbury, July 31.—The Connecticut river claimed another victim late last night when George Moore of Fitzdale lost his life at the ferry at South Lunenburg. The body was recovered this morning near the place where he and his horse were drowned.

The boy, who was 17 years old, had been driving with Miss Lucretia Powers of South Lunenburg and was returning to his home, having left the young woman at her residence.

It is supposed that he fell asleep and the horse, instead of waiting at the ferry, plunged into the river. People nearby heard the splash and hurried to the ferry to find the horse, carriage and driver disappearing from sight.

The water is very deep at that point and it was impossible to rescue them. The drowned man was employed by the Fitzdale Paper company. He leaves a mother, step-father and several brothers and sisters.

### WEATHER FORECAST

For eastern New York and western Vermont, fair and warmer tonight. Thursday increase in cloudiness and warmer.

### CLASSIFIED

WANTED—Three waitresses at Williams Inn Williamstown. 5116

### ESSEX JUNCTION REDEEMED

Village Once Condemned by Distinguished Vermonters.

We acknowledge with gratitude the following courteous and attractive invitation from a New England commonwealth.

"The State of Vermont extends to you a cordial invitation to spend your vacation among its Green Mountains, or on the shores of its beautiful lakes and streams. The acceptance of this invitation will insure you a hearty welcome and hospitable entertainment; and it is the hope of this commonwealth that your stay here will be so pleasant that with the approach of each successive vacation period you will anticipate with eagerness an outing in the Green Mountain State."

This is as it should be. The general invitation could be improved only by specific and practical information for the benefit of Vermont's intending visitors; and we are glad to say that this is done in supplementary literature in a manner that leaves nothing to be desired.

Nobody receiving such cordial words and such adequate traveling instructions can turn Vermontward with out feeling that he is about to meet a most pleasant host.

We observe, moreover, that the headquarters of the secretary of state's publicity department—let us rather style it the hospitality bureau of Vermont—have now been placed, with a fine sense of fitness, at Essex Junction, formerly the object of much alien censure.

It was of Essex Junction that a distinguished son of Vermont, afterward United States minister near the Court of St. James, wrote the masterpiece which added poetic immortality to legal and diplomatic renown. We can quote here on ly the third of those four deathless stanzas written in wrath by the Hon. Edward John Phelps:

"Here Boston waits for Ogdensburg, And Ogdensburg for Montreal, And late New York long tarrieth And Saratoga hindereth all; From far Atlantic's wave swept bays To Mississippi's turbid tide All accidents, mistakes, delays Are gathered here and multiplied. Oh, flow man! avoid this place As you would plague, or Peter Funk sham."

And I hope in hell Their souls may dwell Who here invented Essex Junction."

Take notice that no longer will that profane hope be shared by the non-Vermonters. Essex Junction now becomes the shining gateway to the pleasures of one of the politest and loveliest of American States.—New York Sun.

### READSBORO

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Billings were business visitors in Brattleboro Tuesday.

Albin Hedlund has returned to Worcester after an extended visit at H. P. Billings'.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Plumb and two sons motored to Turner Falls Sunday and visited relatives there.

Mrs. Herman Blanchard of Niagara Falls is the guest of Mrs. Anna Taintor and Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Blanchard.

Misses Fannie F. Hicks and Evelyn Barre and Percy L. Barre are spending the week as guests of Arden Northrup in Cheshire.

On account of the rapid spreading of infantile paralysis, precautions have been taken here regarding children under sixteen. They are not allowed to come into town either by train or motor bus, but are sent back on the next one outgoing. Public places such as moving pictures and churches are excluding children; and the board of health is doing everything in their power to prevent the disease of reaching thus far.

### Not a Bad Error.

She (with newspaper)—Here's a funny mistake in the report of that affair last night. It says that Mrs. Swellman appeared in a handsome "ampere" gown, instead of "empire." He—Well, "ampere" isn't very far off; her gown was a bit shocking.—Boston Transcript.

## HUGHES DECLARES WOMEN SHOULD HAVE BALLOT

President Candidate Goes on Record in Favor of Suffrage

### BELIEVES IN SHORTEST CUT

Congressional Amendment Should Be Submitted to States and Adopted.

New York, Aug. 1.—Charles E. Hughes twice today declared himself in favor of an amendment to the federal constitution granting the vote to women throughout the United States.

In a letter to Senator Sutherland of Utah, sent in response to a telegram, Mr. Hughes stated his personal view that the proposed amendment should be submitted by Congress to the States and ratified. In a speech late today before 500 women of the Women's Roosevelt League for Hughes, the nominee declared the question was one affecting the whole country and that he favored "taking the shortest cut to its solution."

"I believe this question should be promptly settled," Mr. Hughes said. "I see nothing but danger to our security, to our unity, to our proper attitude toward political questions, in continued agitation of this subject."

In his address to the league, Mr. Hughes again assailed the administration for its policy concerning American rights abroad during the European war.

The nominee also made a luncheon address today to about 50 republican editors of New York State in which he said he had twice been called upon to live down an undesired reputation for coldness and aloofness and that he was now passing through the third experience. He invited sympathetic co-operation.

This address was made after Mr. Hughes had dismissed a stenographer sent to the luncheon by the national committee to obtain a verbatim report of H. The nominee said he did not want his remarks to be taken down; that he wanted to talk freely and fully. The luncheon was private.

Tonight Mr. Hughes addressed a small meeting of social workers invited by Herbert Parsons, national committeeman for New York, to meet the nominee at an uptown club. The meeting was private.

### EAST ARLINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Squares and children have been spending a few days at Bennington with Mr. Squares' parents.

East Arlington took revenge on North Hoosick Saturday winning from them the rubber by the score of 21 to 1. There was no stopping them; they walloped the ball to all parts of the lot while they held them almost listless. This week they play the Amateurs from Bennington Saturday afternoon on our own grounds.

Burton Powers and Ralph Burt of Bennington called on friends in town Sunday.

Mrs. W. O. Stephens of Manchester, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. C. H. Burt, returned here Saturday.

Those who did not attend service last Sunday at the M. E. church missed something, for Mr. Heacock a choir leader and soloist from Schenectady, who has been spending his vacation at Roaring Branch cabin, sang an offertory solo both morning and evening and Rev. O. J. Harvill, our former pastor, preached at both services.

Rev. A. H. Edie and family of Hinesburg, Vt., are spending a few days at the M. E. parsonage Mrs. Edie and Mrs. Gouthey are sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Grout and family were in Williamstown, Mass., Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Nickerson of Pittsfield, Mass., who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Nichols, returned home Monday.

Victor Smith passed the week end at Albany visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Shuffelen passed Sunday in Bennington.

Joseph King, short stop for East Arlington ball team, received a badly sprained ankle while playing at North Hoosick Saturday.

Richard Delaney, Jr., of Ashburnham, Mass., visited his brother, John Delaney of this place Tuesday.

Rev. and Mrs. O. J. Harvill of Westport Factory, Mass., are spending a few days in town visiting friends. Mr. Harvill was pastor of the M. E. church here five years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Norton are entertaining for two weeks, Miss Margaret Norton and Mrs. Edward Rogers Jr., of Boston, also their three nieces the Misses Grace, Edna and Bertha Rogers of Waverley and Boston, Mass. Miss Norton and Mrs. Ed. Rogers are sisters of John Norton.

### RECKLESS DRIVER CONVICTED

State Seeks Heavy Sentence in Boyd Case in Brattleboro.

Brattleboro, July 31.—The jury that heard the case of the state against Harry Boyd, charged with breach of the peace in so driving an automobile that the machine collided with a bridge, a team and hit a man and that one of the occupants, Mrs. W. M. Randall, was thrown out and seriously injured, returned a verdict of guilty this afternoon.

As the case is one of the first in Vermont in which the state has tried for a heavier sentence than is possible under the charge of reckless driving, it is probable that it will be carried to the Supreme court by Attorney Harry B. Chase, who represented Boyd.

Boyd is out on bail of \$1,000 furnished by his father.

### BIG HAY CROP

Twice as Heavy and Twice as Hard to Harvest.

The hay crop on farms in Brattleboro and vicinity is double that of last year. In one town the claim is made that the farmers have an opportunity this year to harvest more hay than in the three previous seasons combined. The only trouble is that the growth is so luxuriant and the conditions so unfavorable that perhaps not all of the grass will be cut and put away in the barns.

There is one good thing about hay. It is not necessary to use it the season immediately after it is cut. It will "carry over" better than almost any other crop.

We wonder whether the growth of grass this year makes any of the farmers think of possibilities. We get the immense growth because of the heavy fall of rain. But what about irrigation? Without their canals thousands of farmers in Western and Southwestern states would be in a deplorable condition. With many of them their lands, which now turn out valuable crops each season, would be valueless. But what is the matter with irrigation in New England?

By use of storage reservoirs and electric pumps many acres which cannot be depended upon to give crops with any degree of certainty would blossom like the rose every year.

We know of some farms within a few miles of this village that could be irrigated at a very small expense. But no one has ever had the temerity to try the experiment. About the only farmers in this part of the country who have used the water supplies to keep their crops in good condition are the cucumber, onion and tobacco growers in certain towns in the Connecticut valley in Massachusetts towns 30 to 50 miles south of Brattleboro, and they employ the overhead system of pipes.

We believe that irrigation, in one form or another, could be employed with great profit on thousands of acres in New England.—Brattleboro Reformer.

### Good Roads Are the Backbone of the Country.

In the recent issue of Farm and Fireside, a writer says about good roads:

"No other country in Nebraska offers a better illustration of the low cost of building and maintaining good dirt roads than Polk County, especially during the time when a county highway engineer was employed to supervise the road and bridge work in that county. That period began in the spring of 1911 and continued until the beginning of the year 1915."

"During that time 225 of the 320 miles of road in the county were graded. Previous to the services of the county engineer only 153 miles of road in the county had been graded. During his term of office, contracts were let to grade every mile of road within the boundaries of the county, which shows that the cross-roads received attention as well as the main traveled ones."

"It is true that the county engineer worked under favorable conditions, for the soil and lay of the land in Polk County are favorable for efficient road work; the soil absorbs water rather rapidly, and most of the land is level."

"The cost of grading in Polk County was reduced during the county engineer's supervision from \$94.21 a mile the first year, when a steam engine and a few teams were hired to do the work, to \$43 a mile in 1914, when two tractors owned by the county were used to do practically all the grading. Grading in adjoining counties cost from \$65 to \$100 a mile with blade and elevator graders."

"The use of the tractors in Polk County reduced the cost of the work one half, and in addition gave much more satisfactory results in the type of grading done. The tractor packs the road more than do teams, and consequently the highway soon becomes in good condition for travel."

"In Polk County no work was done with elevator graders, except in low places or where a high grade was required. All new grades were disked and harrowed immediately to smooth them and pack them. Newly graded roads were in good condition for travel in a few days after grading. The slope from the center of the road to the ditches was made one inch to the foot and the ditch banks were cut down to permit mowing the roadside and thus add greatly to its appearance."

## DEUTSCHLAND OFF FOR HOME PORT IN GERMANY

Capt. Koenig Confident Submarine Will Make Safe Voyage

### EIGHT WARSHIPS IN WAITING

Undersea Craft Must Run Gantlet Once She Is Beyond Three-Mile Limit.

Baltimore, Aug. 1.—On the second anniversary of Germany's declaration of war against Russia the German submarine merchantman Deutschland set out from Baltimore on a return voyage to Germany with a declaration of confidence from her commander, Capt. Paul Koenig, that he would take her home in spite of the heavy odds she would face when the three mile limit in the Atlantic is reached.

The submersible was towed out of the slip where she was berthed 23 days ago and 5:40 o'clock this afternoon and it is expected she will put into Newport, News, Va., between 6 and 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

After getting into mid-stream the tow line of the tug Thomas F. Timmins was cast off and the Deutschland proceeded down the Patuxent river under her own power.

Capt. Koenig and his army of 27 men put to sea with the knowledge that a man hurried to a telephone with a message to agents for the entente allies that the Deutschland had started, but the little captain went out of Baltimore harbor smiling and waving his cap. His last words in the harbor were of praise for America and for his treatment here by Baltimore customs authorities.

Capt. Koenig knows that eight warships of the entente allies are waiting for him at the edge of the three-mile limit, spread out in a radius of five miles. "We shall have to pass unseen within that radius in order to escape," he said. "We shall have to make that passage under conditions not entirely advantageous to us."

Were the water at that point 150 feet deep it would be easier. We could submerge deeply enough to pass underneath the war ships. But the water there is not 150 deep. We shall, therefore, have to pass between the war ships."

The final movements in connection with the departure of the Deutschland began a few minutes before 4 o'clock. At that hour unusual activity was noticed aboard the Neckar. A little later the coast guard cutter Wisahelkon was observed making its way into the inner basin. Then the harbor police boat Lannan came up to the pier where the submersible was berthed.

At 5:30 o'clock the Lannan pulled away and finally the Timmins backed further in to attach her line. At 5:40 the Timmins slowly moved out of the slip and when it was seen that her tow line was attached to a sea green hulk a cheer went up from the watchers.

The manifest of the Deutschland's return cargo has not been made public but in addition to large quantities of crude rubber and nickel, it is believed she carries several thousand dollars in gold.

### GOING TO THE BORDER

Bennington Recruits Soon to Leave for Active Service.

In spite of the fact that a seeming lull has come over the activity of militia units not yet sent to the border, plans have been working quietly the past few weeks in preparation for sending the members of the First Vermont Infantry now in camp at Fort Ethan Allen, to Eagle Pass, Texas, where the regiment is now stationed. In accordance with the requirements of the recent federal army reorganization act, three new companies have been organized at the Fort; namely, a headquarters company, a regimental supply company, and a machine gun company, the men in the first two companies being mounted.

An order has been received at camp from Washington recognizing the new companies and in the opinion of the adjutant general, orders will come to entrain the men for the border within the next eight or ten days. The local men sent to the Fort will doubtless be assigned to one of the three companies and go to the border with their units when orders come to move.

### A Pleasure.

"I put through a big financial deal last week," remarked Mr. Dustin Stax. "I thought you said you were going on a pleasure trip."

"Could there be any pleasure greater than putting through a big financial deal?"—Washington Star.

### Obliging.

"Waiter, the steak is so tough I can't cut it with this knife."

"Very good, sir—I'll bring you another knife, sir."—Columbia Jester.

## VILLAGE TRUSTEES HELD MEETING LAST NIGHT

Large Amount of Routine Business Was Transacted

### STANDS FOR LOCAL AUTO HACKS

Street Committee Instructed to Investigate Necessity for Such Regulation.

Considerable business was transacted at the regular monthly meeting of the village board of trustees last evening. President Braisted presided and Clerk W. P. Hogan and Corporation Attorney E. C. Bennett were in attendance. The trustees present were Messrs. Nash, North, Morrissey, Burt, Harbour and Buehler.

The request of William P. Hogan for a building permit was referred to the chairman of the fire committee with power to act.

Charles A. Maurer appeared before the board with a request that the license for the recent entertainment under the auspices of the Sons of Veterans be refunded. The request was laid on the table.

The request of Mr. Maurer that the sidewalk on Imperial avenue be put in shape was referred to the street committee.

Chairman North of the fire committee called the attention of the board to the condition that prevailed at the fire station on Safford street owing to the overflow of chemicals from the batteries of the fire alarm system. The committee was given power to rectify the condition.

A communication was received from the E. Z. Waist company relative to the waste water from the Morgan spring. There was a lengthy discussion in relation to the cases and responsibility for the unsatisfactory condition. In its communication the company expressed its willingness to assume a fair portion of the expense necessary in the construction of a new water course. The matter was referred to the sewer committee with instruction to report at the next meeting of the board.

Chief Sears of the fire department was present and there was an informal discussion relative to the plans for the annual inspection and parade on August 16.

The chairman of the sidewalk committee made his report and recommended that sidewalks be constructed in front of the Dewey property on North street and in front of the telephone office. The committee also recommended the construction of a walk on Depot street.

It was voted that the village purchase the official badge from Fortuor Fire Chief Spear.

The clerk was ordered to instruct the chief of police to preserve order in Putnam square and to prevent the gathering of crowds in that locality during the night.

The street committee was instructed to investigate the advisability of establishing an auto cab stand and the clerk was authorized to expend not more than \$15 in the purchase of signs to regulate the assembling of automobiles at certain points on the streets.

The fire committee was authorized to replank the stalls at the station at an expense not exceeding \$5.50.

The clerk was instructed to draw his orders for the following bills:

E. E. Larrabee, Mgr., lights, \$483.33  
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Patrick Brazil, police, 32.99  
Richard Hurley, police, 22.75  
An. J. Griffin, police, 24.75  
New Eng. Tel. Co., Tel., 1.75  
Arthur Downham, team, 60.00  
Chas. D. Sawyer, sprinkling, 69.28  
J. Hornidge, special police, 2.09  
Fillmore & Salde, hay, 18.69  
E. A. Booth, rate bill, 64.38  
The Livingston Press supplies, 3.50  
Nichols & Warren, supplies for alarm, 269.27  
T. P. Lee, services, 2.25  
H. W. Putnam, feed, 11.79  
H. W. Putnam, rent, 75.09  
L. H. Buss, repairs, 5.60  
E. E. Larrabee Mgr., repairs, 45.09  
Fred Mathison, repairs, 50.00  
Chas. T. Burt, supplies, 11.09  
Lambert & Harrington, sidewalks, 270.54  
Joseph Murphy, special police, 7.00  
E. S. Buss, tree spraying, 75.00

Dry and Moist Air.

A cubic foot of dry air weighs more than a cubic foot of moist air at the same temperature and pressure. The addition of vapor to a cubic foot of dry air enlarges the volume of the mixture if the air is free to expand, as in the atmosphere, and as the vapor has only about two-thirds the density of dry air at the same temperature and pressure the density of the mixture is less than that of dry air.

Don't put off flitching till the storm is at hand.—Irish Proverb.

## FIRST PRODUCTION OF JULIUS CAESAR TOMORROW EVE

Bennington's First Attempt at Outdoor Theatricals

### COMPLETE CHARACTER CAST

Audience Requested to Be in Seats Early So that Actors May Be Distinctly Heard.

Tomorrow night is the first performance of Julius Caesar, given under the auspices of the Public Welfare Association in recognition of the Shakespeare Tercentenary. From Boston, from San Francisco, from towns large and small across the continent, come reports of similar celebrations, but so far as we know Bennington is the first small town in New England to attempt Julius Caesar on a large scale.

Following is the case of characters: Mark Antony Edward Jenney  
Julius Caesar Edward H. Holden  
Brutus Arthur Elliot  
Cassius George S. Mills  
Decidius J. Laurence Griswold  
Soothsayer Dean I. Martin  
Octavius Caesar Thomas Healey  
Casca Lucretius H. Ross  
Metellus W. J. Randies  
Popilius Leroy Macomber  
Trebolius Nelson Payne  
Cinna Goodall Hutton  
Flavius Cordia Armstrong  
Lucius Miss Anastasia Fitzgerald  
Pindarus Gordon Burke  
Servilius Joseph O'Brien  
First Citizen William Cushman  
Second Citizen John Hayes  
Calpurnia Miss Susan Colgate  
Portia Miss Jeanette Perkins  
Stage Manager Mrs. Arthur Elliot  
Soldiers, senators and citizens from Bennington, North Bennington and Old Bennington.

Costumes for the play have been provided by Hiller of Philadelphia.

The play will begin promptly at eight o'clock. It is hoped that every one will make an effort to be in their seats ten minutes before the hour. The action of Julius Caesar starts in without any preliminary, and the auditorium should therefore be quiet when the first word is spoken.

Pedestrians will find the only entrance for them nearly opposite the Country Club. Automobiles, (tops down, of course), will find their entrance a few feet further along the same road. Guides at the gates, ushers and patrolmen on the grounds will answer any questions. Those coming from North Bennington should leave on the seven and seven thirty cars, and the special cars which will be running between those times. By leaving trolleys at the point nearest the Country Club, a short walk will take them to the entrance. It is expected that special cars will be waiting after the performance to make the return trip. Special service between North Adams and Bennington has also been asked for.

To avoid a waste of time, and to facilitate seating of the audience, seats should be procured before going to grounds.

Should Thursday be rainy and give promise of heavy showers in the evening, this performance will be postponed until Saturday evening at the same hour. But if the weather is only lowering, with merely a sprinkle now and then, the play will proceed as scheduled.

The committee wishes to do everything in its power to make our patrons comfortable, and begs to advise them that an outdoor auditorium does not offer the same protection against the elements that an ordinary theatre does. We suggest umbrellas and rain-coats if the sky looks even mildly overcast, and advise rubbers in any event on account of the dew. The wearing of stout shoes—not white—and simple frocks is also strongly advised. It should be remembered, too, that often at this season of the year a wrap is very acceptable in the late evening, no matter how warm the day has been. By bringing newspapers to spread on the ground, the feet will be protected from the dampness.

Playground Notes

Big night tonight for the girls and boys evening classes. The program will start promptly at 7:30.

Tumbling and dip flips are making a hit with the boys. Acrobating is one of the features of the boys' sports.

Ladder pyramids will be on the program for Thursday.

Marshalltown toast Saturday morning for girls and boys.

The girls are very much interested in volleyball and baseball.

A baseball game between the intermediates will be played Friday afternoon. The Fish Club will play the Shaw nine.

Tennis rackets and tennis balls are badly needed at the playground. If you have an old racket or old balls please remember the children at the playground will be mighty glad to get them.

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